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UTU-71640

August 8, 2000

Mr. D. Wayne Hedberg  
Division of Oil, Gas and Mining  
P. O. Box 145801  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84144-5801

Dear Wayne:

In June 2000, this office became aware that Unico Incorporated was in nonconformance with the federal regulations 43 CFR §3809. The operator was in the process of constructing a mill facility on federal land that apparently the company had mistakenly believed to be patented land. The operator has indicated a willingness to comply with the federal regulations. The operator has stated that the mill facility will be removed and the site reclaimed. In a certified letter, BLM required that all equipment and supplies be removed by August 21, 2000, and that the site be reclaimed this fall.

As Lynn Kunzler had requested a copy of BLM's letter, I am forwarding to you:

- a location map,
- Unico's letter, dated July 5, 2000, and
- BLM's letter requiring reclamation.

If you have any comments or questions, please call me at (435) 896-1522.

Sincerely,

Michael K. Jackson  
Geologist

Enclosures as stated

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July 17, 2000

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Return Receipt Requested

Mr. Dan Proctor, Project Manager  
Unico, Incorporated  
P. O. Box 777  
Magalia, California 95954

RE: Nonconformance and Reclamation for Federal Land

Dear Mr. Proctor:

On July 7, 2000, a letter was received in this office from Unico, Incorporated. That letter addresses an occupation of land that you refer to as the Deer Trail Mill Site, Lot 42-B, in T. 28 S., R. 3 W., section 7. As has been discussed with you, the records of the Bureau of Land Management, including the Master Title Plat, indicate that parcel to be unpatented federal land. In your letter, you state that Unico did not intend to occupy federal land and that your intent is to remove all facilities and to reclaim the surface disturbance.

At present the site is occupied by the foundation forms for a building, the cylinder of a ball mill, and miscellaneous equipment and supplies, and the surface has been disturbed to create a site for that mill facility. In order to vacate the site and to reclaim the surface disturbance, the following actions are required:

- Remove the foundation form; all equipment and supplies; and the foreign, crushed gravel in the vicinity of the building foundation. This removal should be completed by August 21, 2000.
- The disturbed area should be recontoured to the natural contour, to the extent that is practical. The recontouring work should be confined to the existing disturbed area and should not disturb any additional federal land.. The access to the county road on the northwest side of the disturbed area should be eliminated as part of the reclamation.
- A two-track road was in existence prior to disturbance related to your work and was parallel to the lined ditch on the east side of the site. That road should be reduced from the present width of about 15 feet to the original width of about 8 feet. That applies only

- to the portion on federal land, as the road to the north is on private land.
- After recontouring the disturbed area, the site should be seeded. The preferred method of seeding is drilling; however, since the site is relatively small, the seed may be broadcast. If the surface has crusted prior to the application of the seed, then a harrow or other implement should be dragged over the recontoured area, in order to break up the soil. After broadcasting, then a harrow or other implement should be similarly dragged over the seeded area in order to cover the seed. All reclamation work shall be completed in the fall from October through November, prior to snowfall that would impede the completion of that work. The following seed mix and rate are recommended:

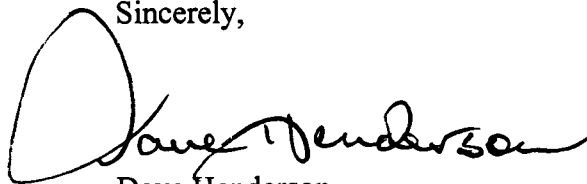
<u>Species</u>	<u>Rate (lbs/acre)</u>
Grasses	
Crested Wheatgrass	6
Russian Wild Rye	6
Forbs	
Yellow Sweet Clover	3
Lewis Flax	<u>1</u>
Total	16

Reclamation will be monitored until vegetation is satisfactorily established. Additional reclamation work may be required, if the vegetation is not satisfactorily established.

A list of sources for seed is attached. You are not required to obtain seed from any of these sources, and the list is provided only as a directory and may not contain all available sources.


As stated, the removal of all the facilities, equipment, and supplies must be accomplished by August 21, 2000. Please notify Michael Jackson in this office, when the site has been vacated and to arrange an on-site meeting for the reclamation work. His phone number is (435) 896-1522. If you have any other questions, please contact Michael.

Sincerely,



Dave Henderson  
Associate Field Manager

Enclosure: Sources of Native Seeds and Plants

MJackson:mkj:071700 

**UNICO, INCORPORATED**  
**P. O. Box 777**  
**Magalia, California 95954**

**RICHFIELD FIELD OFFICE**

**Date: July 05, 2000**

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ASST MGR					

**To: United States Bureau of Land Management**  
**Richfield Utah Office**  
**Richfield, Utah**  
**c/o Dave Henderson**

**JUL 07 2000**

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EXT AFFAIRS			HANKSVILLE		

**Re: Regulation 3809, Deer Trail Mill Site Lot 42-B**

Dear Sir,

We were informed by your office on June 30<sup>th</sup> that Deer Trail Mill Site Lot 42-B was not a patented mill site and that the site was federal land. As you know we are developing the Deer Trail Mine. We are currently leasing property from Crown Mines which included Lot 42-B as a patented mill site. All indications at Piute County and several plat maps that we researched led us to believe that Lot 42-B was indeed a patented mill site (fee simple). It was never our intention to occupy federal land to establish these milling operations. We hope you understand and are willing to work with us to correct this unfortunate mistake.

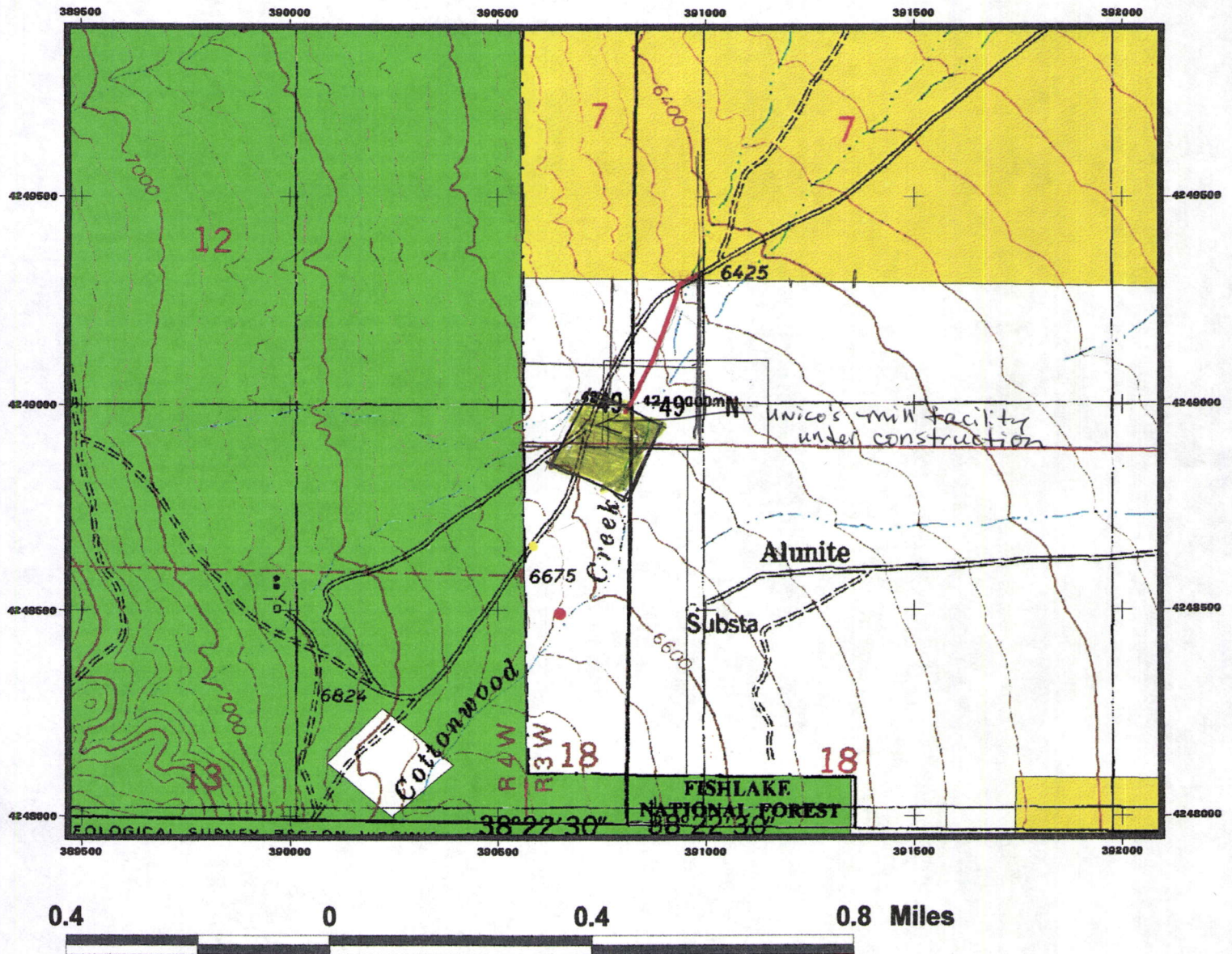
Pursuant to Regulation 3809, we propose to vacate the parcel in question within 45 days or sooner and set up on fee simple property. We also propose to reclaim the disturbance made to Lot 42-B. This work will consist of pulling the road back in to as natural grade as possible, roughing up the soils for better seed retention. Removing all construction items including road base that was hauled in for grading purposes. Returning in the fall and seeding the area with an approved seed mix for the area of disturbance. Your recommendations are welcomed.

We want to maintain a good working relationship with the BLM. We diligently strive to comply with all regulations in good faith. Please contact W. Dan Proctor at (801) 785-1115 or (801) 361-4242 if you any questions.

Sincerely,

  
W. Dan Proctor, Project Manager

# Deer Trail Mine



- Diversion
- Road
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- Ownership**
- FOREST SERVICE
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